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[About 50 men reported] for induction; four were rejected because of jail records. A jail record and extreme illness are the only reasons for rejection.

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[these rejectees are automatically assigned to the labor services. According to an order issued in 1950 by Marshal Vassilevskiy, Minister of Defense, no deferments whatsoever were to be authorized. Men who need only a short time to complete their studies, or specialists practicing their profession, are not deferred.]

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[there are two induction periods annually. The first is at the beginning of July, the second at the end of September or the beginning of October. All classes register for the first time in the June which comes closest to their 19th birthday and are called to active service one year later. For this reason some draftees are 19 and others 20 when called to active service.]

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[Those draftees who have eight or more years of schooling are called to active service first and form the first increment of each class. After basic training they are sent to officer candidate schools for army or navy, or to NCO schools. Some men from this increment are assigned to the MVD and MGB after screening for intelligence, education and political reliability. The second call of each class in September or October is usually composed of draftees with less than eight years of schooling.]

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[two men who were inducted into the service at an earlier age. Both of them lived in [redacted] Peremilovo, and were in the 1927 class. The first man was drafted in 1944 and assigned to the MGB.]

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[he still belongs to it and is stationed in the Kremlin in Moscow. The second man was also inducted in 1944 and assigned to the MVD. he is still with the MVD. The political background of these two men, as well as their parents and friends, was very carefully investigated.]

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[redacted] the following details on the classes of 1929, 1931 and 1932:

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- (a) The class of 1929 first registered in 1948; part of it was drafted in September 1949.
- (b) The class of 1931 was inducted in April 1951 and arrived in the Soviet Zone of Germany in May 1951.
- (c) The class of 1932 was to be inducted in September 1951.

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Arrival in the Soviet Zone of Germany

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6. I know that some members of the 1930 class were stationed in Poland, Hungary, Austria and the USSR. [redacted]

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7. The composition of [redacted] unit was as follows:

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- (a) Four NCOs of the 1928 class
- (b) Four NCOs of the 1929 class
- (c) Four NCOs of the 1930 class
- (d) All privates in [redacted] unit were replacements of the 1930 class

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Demobilization

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(a) NCOs and privates of the class of 1926 were demobilized in the Soviet Zone of Germany in June 1950.

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(b) The class of 1927 was demobilized in summer 1951 [redacted]. Privates were demobilized first, NCOs a few months later. The demobilization of this class was general for all assignments and all branches.

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- (c) The classes of 1928 to 1931 are still on active service.
- (d) Upon demobilization all NCOs were given a chance to try for admission to an officer candidate school. [redacted] All soldiers and NCOs were given opportunity to re-enlist if they wished.
9. [redacted] after demobilization all soldiers are carried for 10 years as members of the reserve in category A. [redacted] the pertinent Voyenkomat have a plan to transfer to category B members who have completed 10 years in category A. [redacted] men who have been demobilized receive no refresher training.

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10. Army officers have 45 days annual leave plus travel time.

[redacted] the commanding officer of the 495th Howitzer Battalion went to the USSR for this length of time in the summer of 1951.

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[redacted] jet pilots are allowed 60 days annual leave plus travel time. NCOs may receive 10 to 20 days annual leave plus travel time at the discretion of the commanding officer. Enlisted men are not entitled to any leave, but a unit commander has the power to reward an enlisted man with a 15 day leave to the USSR for the following reasons:

- (a) Attaining the classification of marksman. [redacted]
[redacted] a soldier is considered an expert gunner if he can hit all five targets: the regular target with a bull's-eye and four field targets, representing silhouettes of prone, crouching, kneeling and standing figures.
- (b) Exemplary conduct, discipline, neatness and all-around outstanding soldiership.
- (c) Outstanding marks in political indoctrination.

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In case of illness or death an enlisted man may also receive 15 days leave. This kind of leave must be approved by various channels in the Soviet Zone and the USSR. It usually takes from one to two months after the emergency to obtain the approval.

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11. [redacted]

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Labor Service

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Deferments are no longer given. [redacted] the proportion of those drafted in 1950 and 1951 was greater than in previous years.

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Soviet Female Personnel in Germany

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[redacted] there was a large influx of Soviet uniformed female personnel into the Soviet Zone of Germany. Approximately 25 of them were assigned to the 2nd Artillery Brigade in Oranienburg on or about 6 Sep 51.

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women, 20 to 25 years old, are volunteers and all hold the rank of private. They draw pay at civilian ratings and have officer status and privileges. They wear the regular Soviet enlisted women's uniform: blouse with shoulder boards and the insignia of the unit to which assigned, skirts, high leather boots, and a round hat with a red star. They are employed in various capacities: waitresses in officers' messes and casinos, typists in orderly rooms, and odd jobs in kitchens and hospitals. They are free to mix with officers and enlisted men but not allowed to associate with Germans. Rumors among the officers, enlisted men, and enlisted women

[redacted] indicated that all German female employees were to be replaced by Soviet women.

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[redacted] a female senior sergeant assigned as an interpreter to the same unit. The sergeant wore civilian clothes.

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Female nurses serve in hospitals throughout the Soviet Zone. They enroll voluntarily in nurses schools in the USSR and after graduation are commissioned in the army as junior lieutenants or lieutenants. They wear the army uniform only for inspection and parades; otherwise they wear civilian clothes. Soldiers do not salute them. Approximately 20 nurses, 20 to 23 years old, were assigned to the 2nd Artillery Brigade. They were billeted in quarters for officer nurses and were allowed to associate freely with Soviet officers and enlisted men.

Military Districts

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[redacted] the following military districts in the USSR: Far Eastern, Odessa, Moscow, Leningrad, and Gorki. [redacted] when or why the Gorki Military District was reestablished.

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